



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
HEADQUARTERS, SPECIAL TROOPS BATTALION  
2<sup>nd</sup> BRIGADE COMBAT TEAM, 4<sup>th</sup> INFANTRY DIVISION  
FORT CARSON, COLORADO 80913



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

19 February 2010

Office of the Commander  
Special Troops Battalion  
2<sup>nd</sup> Brigade Combat Team, 4<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division  
Corner of Barkeley and Titus Ave., Building 2350  
Fort Carson, Colorado 80913

Future Lonestar Soldier,

Welcome to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Special Troops Battalion and Fort Carson, Colorado. As a future Lonestar Soldier, Command Sergeant Major and I would like to welcome you and your Family to the team. You are joining a unit with a proud and distinguished history that began in 2004 after being reorganized from the 588<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion in Fort Hood, Texas. It is important to remember that we are a nation at war. Our Battalion continues to prepare for deployment through discipline and teamwork to ensure we are physically, mentally, and emotionally prepared to fight at a moment's notice.

As you and your family transition from your previous duty assignment to Fort Carson, it is imperative that you keep you and your loved ones safe during your move to the Mountain Post. Upon arrival to Fort Carson and during your first 72 hours on post, you will in-process through the Welcome Center (Building 1218). It is also imperative to complete all in-processing requirements in order to be ready to join the Battalion and train for war. You will be assigned a sponsor from the Battalion to assist you and your family with your transition.

Ensure that you arrive in excellent physical condition. Physical training during your first couple of weeks at Fort Carson will be challenging due to the elevation and weather conditions throughout the year. We conduct physical training daily from 0630-0730 hours, and this remains a priority for all Leaders across the Battalion and Brigade. Ensure you prioritize physical fitness prior to your arrival to Fort Carson in order to meet Army standards.

We are a command team who trusts and believes in Soldiers and Families. Balance and communication with your chain of command will be your key to success. We are extremely proud to be your Commander and Command Sergeant Major and look forward to integrating you and your Family into the Lonestar team. Take advantage of the numerous activities available to you in the Fort Carson, Colorado Springs and Denver areas and you will definitely enjoy your time at the Mountain Post.

Again, welcome to the "Lonestar" battalion. If you need additional assistance, please feel free to contact the S1 section at 719-503-2604. You and your family can also visit the following websites at <http://www.carson.army.mil>, <http://www.army.frg.org>, and <http://www.springsgov.com>.  
LONESTAR!

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CSM, USA  
Command Sergeant Major

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LTC, LG  
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